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for your support.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Stuhr. Senator Erdman.

SENATOR ERDMAN: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor. I also support the E clause being added to this bill. As Senator Redfield has mentioned, there are teachers who are coming into Nebraska, ironically, to teach here, that have decided to move across for other reasons. And we have situations in my district, bordering Colorado and Kansas, where we have teachers who are, at this point, going to be forced to move back to Kansas or Colorado to renew their teaching in those states and not be eligible to continue to teach in Nebraska. And, as I look at what needs to be addressed in rural Nebraska, we need to do everything we can to make sure that we keep our rural teachers and good teachers out there to be in front of our students. So I wholeheartedly support the Stuhr amendment and I also support LB 314.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Erdman. Further debate on the Stuhr amendment? Senator Stuhr, you're recognized to close. Senator Stuhr waives closing. The question is the adoption of the Stuhr amendment to LB 314. Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 mays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Stuhr's amendment.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The amendment is adopted. Discussion on the advancement of LB 314? Senator Stuhr, you're recognized to close.

SENATOR STUHR: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. We ask for your support in advancing this bill because I truly feel, and I know that Senator Redfield and the committee, that this will remove some of the barriers for teachers and administrators coming from other states to teach in Nebraska. And I think that this is an important first step. With that, please support the bill. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Stuhr. The question is